

## Board of Directors

Meeting date: September 18, 2024

Agenda Item #: 10

### **Oversight and decision-making process for DRCOG's building decarbonization program**

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

#### **Summary**

Discussion of the organizational structure of new committees, and their relationship with the DRCOG Board, for overseeing and making decisions related to the \$199.7 million building decarbonization grant funded by the US Environmental Protection Agency. The discussion includes options for committee structure, membership, and their decision-making roles. The Board may consider amendments to DRCOG's "Committee Policy, Guidelines, and Descriptions" at the October Board meeting to formalize this structure.

#### **Background**

DRCOG has been awarded a \$199.7 million grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to fund a groundbreaking regional initiative aimed at transforming the building sector across the Denver region. This comprehensive program will prioritize investments in underserved, low-income and disadvantaged communities, ensuring that the benefits of building decarbonization are equitably distributed.

The program's implementation will involve the distribution of millions of dollars to various stakeholders, including individual building owners, local governments, non-profit organizations, and private sector partners. To manage this complex process, DRCOG is proposing the establishment of a new committee structure designed to provide transparent oversight, foster public engagement, and ensure accountability throughout the program's lifecycle. The proposed committees will also be instrumental in bringing together diverse perspectives and maintaining a strong focus on equity.

The committees will include representatives from a wide range of stakeholders, including local government officials, community leaders, environmental advocates, industry experts, and representatives from underserved communities.

DRCOG staff will present an overview of the proposed committee structure, including options for committee membership and their decision-making roles. Following this discussion, the Board may consider amendments to DRCOG's "Committee Policy, Guidelines, and Descriptions" to formally adopt the new structure at their October meeting.



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**Action by others**

None

**Previous discussion/action**

[August 7, 2024 Board Work Session](#)– DRCOG Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Overview

**Recommendation**

None

**Attachment**

Staff presentation

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